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## MORPC Announces September Education Sessions for Foreclosure Prevention and Homebuying

(Columbus – August 29, 2012) The Mid-Ohio Regional Planning Commission (MORPC) is offering free homeownership education for those who are seeking to purchase a home and for those who are at risk of defaulting on their mortgage.

Those at risk of default may speak with a housing counselor every Wednesday from 10 a.m. to 12 noon. Scheduled appointments are encouraged but walk-ins are welcomed. Grant funds are available to assist with mortgage payments for homeowners in Franklin County living outside the Columbus city limits. For details or to schedule an appointment, call 614-233-4177 or email [homeownership@morpc.org](mailto:homeownership@morpc.org).

Prospective homebuyers will learn about budgets, mortgages, credit and home inspections at three homeownership classes held September 5, 12, and 19 from 5:30 p.m. – 8:30 p.m. The certificate received after attending all three classes can be used to help qualify for area downpayment assistance programs. For details or to register, call 614-233-4176 or email [homeownership@morpc.org](mailto:homeownership@morpc.org).

Receipt of a certificate also qualifies income eligible buyers to purchase newly renovated homes available through the Franklin County Neighborhood Stabilization Program (NSP). Homes available through this program may be viewed at [www.comehomeco.org](http://www.comehomeco.org). More homes will be available soon.

All sessions are held at the MORPC office at 111 Liberty Street, Suite 100 in Columbus, Ohio. Free parking is available.

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